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Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

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In the matter of COMMENT to Petition
for Rule Making for the Amateur Radio
Service filed by Vincent Biancomano,
WB2EZG, dated May 11, 1993:

RM-8259

Whereas, I believe:

1. The petitioner has provided substantial evidence of a weakening of the Amateur Radio Service as a technical hobby, brought about by the easing of licensing requirements.
2. The ability of the Amateur Radio Service to justify its frequency allocations has thus been compromised, despite a five fold increase in the number of amateurs per-capita over the past 50 years.
3. The FCC's specific plans for the future of the Amateur Radio Service have not been clearly stated, and are unknown to the general amateur community at this time. Therefore, I the undersigned request that the Federal Communications Commission state in language clearly understood the Commission's goals for the future of the Service as either a technical Service or a non-technical Service so that amateurs be provided the formal ground rules for continued and unchallenged occupation of their present frequency allocations. Furthermore, provided a decision is rendered to restore the Service to a technical one, I request the Commission formally enforce the guidelines set forth in Part 97.1 by restoring the technical examination standards that existed prior to November 22, 1967, at which time the FCC/ARRL program for Incentive Licensing was initiated.

Yours truly,

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